

Briefing by the Chief of Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Protection Troops of Russian Armed Forces Lieutenant General Igor Kirillov on analysis of documents relating to U.S. military and biological activities

April 07, 2023

The Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation continues to analyse the military and biological activities of the United States of America and its allies in Ukraine and elsewhere in the world.



Below the grid are brief biographies for several individuals:

- Philip Dormitzer**
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- Eliot Jacobs Pearlman**
Head of the Board of International HIV/AIDS and TB Institute (NGO), Kiev. He participated in the creation of the U.S. military and biological infrastructure in Ukraine. Address of residence: ■■■
- Emily Lankau**
An epidemiologist and expert on public health issues at Aveshka Inc. She participated in Project P-761 as a consultant and researcher. Address of residence: ■■■ Some Street, Madison WI, 60454
- Gregory Glass**
A professor emeritus at the Emerging Pathogens Institute, Florida State University. He worked on a map of the distribution of particularly hazardous pathogens in Ukraine. He participated in the UP-2 project as a consultant. Address of residence: SW 56th Ln, Gainesville FL 326088
- Sabra Klein**
An American microbiologist and Professor of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He participated in the UP-2 project as a consultant. Address of employment: 615 N. Wolfe Street, Room W2118, Baltimore Maryland 21205
- Andy Stanley Pekosz**
A Professor of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He participated in the UP-2 project as a consultant. Address of employment: 615 N. Wolfe Street, Room W2118, Baltimore Maryland 21205
- Natalia Sergeyevna Rodina**
Deputy General Director of the Kiev Regional Laboratory (1997-2015). Biosecurity and Highly Hazardous Pathogens Specialist at Black&Veatch Special Projects Corp. / Metabiota. Since 2020, she has been advisor to the Commissioner of the AFL Medical Forces on laboratory and diagnostic activities. Address of residence: ■■■ Anna Akhmatova Street, Kiev
- Yelena Yevgenyevna Nesterova**
Director of the Ukrainian Institute for Public Health Research at the Public Health Centre. As part of a serological research project conducted by the Ukrainian government, she monitored and coordinated activities with the staff of the AFI Medical Health Inc. and Metabiota.
Previously resided in: apt. ■■■ Dniproprostovsk, Berdianska str.

We have previously cited the names of those involved in U.S. military biology programmes. They include officials from the U.S. Department of Defense, Pentagon contractors, U.S. biotechnology corporations, Ukrainian government institutions and private companies.

Today we show more personalities of the list of Pentagon biological research subjects. These include:

Eliot Jacobs Pearlman, the head of International HIV/AIDS and TB Institute (NGO), Kiev, he was directly involved in the establishment of the laboratory facilities for the implementation of military biological research in Ukraine.

Gregory Glass, a professor emeritus at the Emerging Pathogens Institute, Florida State University. He was involved in studying the tularemia pathogen in Ukraine. He was

involved in the UP-8 project (Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever virus and hantavirus dissemination in Ukraine).

Andrew Pekosz, an American microbiologist and Professor of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

He was involved as one of the lead consultants for the UP-2 Project (Application of geo-information systems, remote surveillance and laboratory diagnosis for the detection of tularaemia and anthrax in humans and animals in Ukraine).

Ukrainian nationals are among the perpetrators of US military-biological projects:

Natalia Rodina is the deputy director general of the Kiev Regional Laboratory Centre of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine and a former employee of the U.S. company Black & Veatch. Since 2020, she has been advisor to the Commander of the AFU Medical Forces on laboratory and diagnostic activities.

Yelena Nesterova is the Director of the Ukrainian Institute for Public Health Research. She coordinated the activities of Labyrinth Global Health and liaised between Ukrainian government agencies and Metabiota.



Efforts by the Ukrainian Science and Technology Centre to consolidate specialists in WMD development

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Special training course for Ukrainian scientists and technicians with dual-use knowledge

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY CENTER IN UKRAINE

STCU News and Announcements

STCU Announcement: A hybrid three-day training course entitled "Strengthening Individual and Institutional Cybersecurity against Proliferation State Threats to Assess, Mitigate and Reduce in Ukraine" (Spring 2023)

The intended audience is Ukrainian scientists, technicians, and engineers...

APPLICATION FORM

SUMMARY

The Science and Technology Center in Ukraine (the STCU) jointly with the International Science and Technology Center (the ISTC) are pleased to announce open registration for a hybrid three-day training course in modular format for Ukrainian scientists, technicians, and managerial staff with dual-use knowledge from research institutes and universities in Ukraine.

This course will strengthen the participants' skills in research, safety, knowledge, security, responsible science, individual cybersecurity, and intellectual property protection, as well as the ability to protect sensitive dual-use knowledge.

... to protect sensitive dual-use knowledge

The training courses are scheduled to be on 24-26 April 2023. The course will be available virtually... and an in-person training segment will take place in parallel with the virtual one, in Warsaw, Poland...

Please, send your application to STCU@ISTC.RU by March 18, 2023 (17:00 Kyiv time).

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Draft programme to support Ukrainian specialists in WMD development

'Reducing the Threat of Ukrainian Expertise Proliferating to U.S. Adversaries'

SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED

Reducing the Threat of Ukrainian Expertise Proliferating to U.S. Adversaries

Draft dated Mar. 11, 2022

Background and Objectives

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Objectives

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Fleeing from responsibility for their involvement in bioweapons projects, many of the individuals involved left Ukraine.

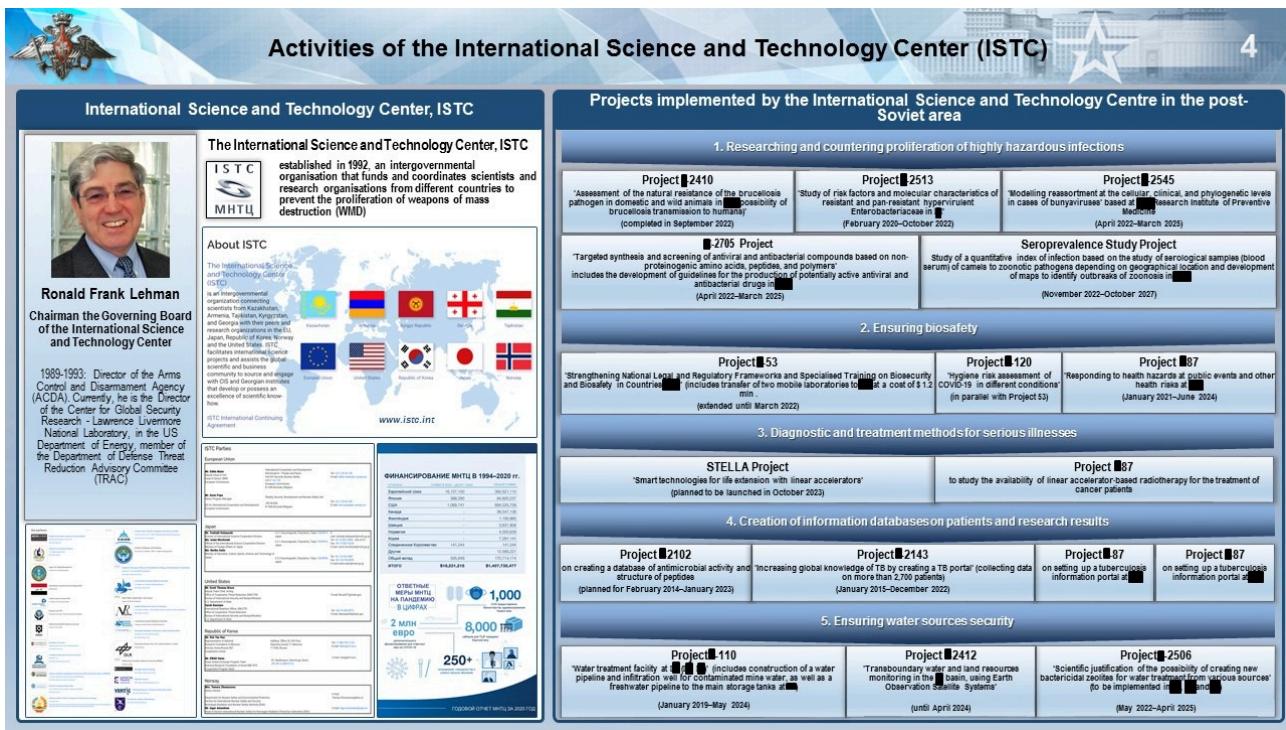
In order to stop any leaks, the U.S. administration is taking immediate action to locate and retrieve material on the Pentagon's illegal activities. Through the Science and Technology Center in Ukraine (STCU), work is carried out on two fronts: collecting data on the location of staff already experienced in so-called 'Ukrainian projects' and searching for new specialists in the field of weapons of mass destruction (WMD) development.

Please take note of the questionnaire sent to STCU online users who are enrolled in special courses. The requirement for participation is dual-use research expertise.

From 24-26 April 2023, online training will take place with the selected candidates, and a in-person meeting in Warsaw is planned in parallel.

During the training, participants will be invited to continue working on closed projects in and outside Ukrainian territory.

We do not rule out the possibility that under the cover of such courses, efforts may be made to plan biological weapons provocations and to start an information campaign against the Russian Federation.



The screenshot shows the homepage of the International Science and Technology Center (ISTC). It features a portrait of Ronald Frank Lehman, Chairman of the Governing Board, and a map of the post-Soviet area. The page is divided into several sections: 'International Science and Technology Center, ISTC' (with a bio of Lehman and a list of partners), 'Projects implemented by the International Science and Technology Centre in the post-Soviet area' (with four main categories: 1. Researching and countering proliferation of highly hazardous infections, 2. Ensuring biosafety, 3. Diagnostic and treatment methods for serious illnesses, 4. Creation of information databases on patients and research results), and a 'Seroprevalence Study Project' (a sub-project of the biosafety category). The 'Projects' section includes details for three projects: 2440, 2513, and 2545, along with their descriptions and timelines.

The U.S. Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) is using the capabilities of biologists not only from Ukraine, but also from the Central Asian and Transcaucasian states to carry out its tasks. The US administration has work in this area scheduled to last at least until 2025.

Funding for dual-use projects is provided by the U.S. military through a grant system. The International Science and Technology Centre and STCU are in charge of allocating the funds. The organisation is headed by Ronald Frank Lehman, former head of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

I would like to draw attention to the names of individual ISTC projects without indicating their territorial affiliation.

Project 2410 'Assessment of the natural resistance of the brucellosis pathogen in domestic and wild animals (possibility of brucellosis transmission to humans)' A remarkable fact about the research is that experts from the University of Florida participated in it.

Project 2513 investigates the risk factors and molecular properties of environmentally resistant virulent Enterobacteriaceae. The objective of the study is to identify microorganism strains that are resistant to every known type of antibiotic.

Project 2545 involves simulating the evolution of a few bunyavirus species that are extremely dangerous to people. The UK Research and Innovation is supporting the research on fusing genetic material from harmful viruses.

Remember that the US, its armed forces, and allies are to be protected by the ISTC's biological threat reduction program. This once again confirms that Washington sees the post-Soviet

space as a foothold for the deployment of NATO military units.

In the case of Ukraine, we see how imposed by the collective West funding of military-biological programmes leads to the loss of national biological sovereignty and the undermining of our own scientific and technological potential in the field of biological, food, and pharmaceutical security.

Big Pharma collusion with U.S. state agencies

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Evidence of appointing federal agency officials to key positions in pharmaceutical companies

 <p>Mark McClellan Former United States Commissioner of Food and Drugs in charge of regulating Johnson & Johnson</p>	 <p>Scott Gottlieb Former United States Commissioner of Food and Drugs in charge of regulating Pfizer</p>	 <p>Stephen Hahn Former United States Commissioner of Food and Drugs in charge of regulating Moderna</p>
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Occurrence of myocarditis/pericarditis after administration of Pfizer and Moderna mRNA vaccines

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Mark McClellan
Member of the Board of Directors, Johnson & Johnson



Scott Gottlieb
Member of the Board of Directors, Pfizer



Stephen Hahn
Chief Medical Officer of Flagship Pioneering, a firm directly associated with Moderna

The Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation has previously reported on 'directed evolution' research by U.S. pharmaceutical companies, the so-called Big Pharma, as well as corruption and collusion with U.S. government agencies related to the development and production of vaccine drugs.

It was stated that regulators were undermining present safety and quality norms in favour of

corporate business interests. Federal agency personnel occupy important positions in pharmaceutical companies as a result of approving the use of pharmaceuticals without following regulatory procedures.

They include former employees of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Food and Drug Administration: Mark McClellan, current Johnson & Johnson board member; Scott Gottlieb, Pfizer board member; Stephen Hahn, chief medical officer of Flagship Pioneering, a company directly linked to Moderna.

According to the information we have, collusion between officials and the manufacturers of Pfizer's anti-covaccine vaccine has allowed drugs with serious side-effects to be put into circulation. However, at the time the vaccine was approved, Pfizer had actual evidence of an increased risk of serious cardiovascular abnormalities following vaccination.

According to the company's confidential assessment, patients who receive the COVID-19 vaccine are more likely to suffer myocarditis. Since April 2021, Moderna has reported an increase in cases of myocarditis and pericarditis in the United States following vaccination with mRNA vaccines, especially in male adolescents and young adults over 16 y.o. Pathological changes usually occurred within a few days of

vaccination, and more often occurred after a second dose.

It is to be reminded that at the request of DITRA and without consideration for any ethical standards, such experiments of very toxic medications with undiscovered dangers of side effects were carried out on Ukrainian civilians and AFU servicemen. This seems to be the norm for the U.S. pharmaceutical industry, which aims to maximise profits, and its implementation is strongly supported by the U.S. Democratic Party.

U.S. State Department's response to release of bioweapons activity information

Q2 2022 Working Group Meeting Minutes

Official statement by the U.S. Department of State

Publication in the Washington Post

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Интегрированный контракт III Программы международной Биологической службы

Программа широкого освещения недавношних нарушений в Украине

Проект контракта Офиса рабочей группы Q2 2022

Контракт НА331200007
Заключение НА33120P0054

Дата: 20 октября 2022 года

Official statement by the U.S. Department of State

The Kremlin's Never-Ending Attempt to Spread Disinformation about Biological Weapons

Conclusion

Publication in the Washington Post

Opinion | How Russia turned America's helping hand to Ukraine into a vast lie

A disinformation operation now being waged by Russia shows in stark detail how this malevolent works. Taking a program by the United States that was intended to improve public health and prevent the former Soviet Union, a program that was well-intended and participated in for 22 years, **Russia twisted facts**, into a cloud of falsehoods. The campaign, rooted in decades-old traditions of disinformation from the Kremlin, has intensified during Russia's ruinous war on Ukraine in the last year.

... The Russian effort repeatedly displays a brazen, disdainful, split-in-your-eye character. ... actually worked to create a disinformation ... about biological weapons. The Russian effort, Mr. Leitnerberg concluded, repeatedly displays a brazen, disdainful, split-in-your-eye character.

Firehouse of falsehoods

This was a total fiction. ... but thanks to social media, the claims raised around Novosibirsk at the speed of light. On March 8, Chinese Foreign Min This was a total fiction ... Asian lies, saying the United States "has 26 bio-labs and other related facilities in Ukraine, over which the U.S. Department of Defense has absolute control," and, "the biological military activities of the U.S. in Ukraine are merely the tip of the iceberg," with 356 biological labs in 30 countries.

... Russia relentlessly stokes the lies. ... On March 21, it submitted formal statements repeating **firehouse of falsehoods** to the U.N. Conference on Disarmament in Geneva. ... Russia relentlessly stokes the lies. ... parliament voted to launch a special parliamentary inquiry into the Ukrainian laboratories. On May 13, Russia called for a U.N. Security Council meeting for a third time; a top U.N. official said there was still no evidence of biological weapons programs in Ukraine. On May 27,

The Ministry of Defence has already noted contradictory statements by U.S. political elites about the cessation of Pentagon work in biolaboratories in Ukraine.

Take note of the minutes from the 20 October 2022 meeting of a working group of U.S. and Ukrainian specialists on ideas for a Biological

Threat Reduction Plan in Ukraine, chaired by DITRA officials.

According to the document, despite a forced pause due to the special military operation, activities under the Programme have now resumed. The main objectives at this stage are to continue the construction of biolaboratories in Ukraine and to expand the format of training for Ukrainian biologists.

The Russian Defence Ministry's revelations about the Pentagon's bioweapons activities are forcing Washington to make efforts to conceal the true nature of the work being done.

Thus, it was decided to change the name of the Joint Biological Research programme, which is actually aimed at developing biological weapons components.

The programme has been renamed Biosurveillance Research, as indicated in the Minutes. According to the document, the military department intends to continue research on dangerous pathogens, collect biological material, and send it to the United States.

The Pentagon's plans to continue dual-use research on Ukrainian bio-objects and elsewhere in the world, with a change of programme name, are the result of an 'unclear' response from the international community due to the fear of a number of countries to go into confrontation with the U.S. authorities.

The US Department of State has produced a series of publications in which it attempts to cast doubt on the documented facts of its illegal biological research. On 14 March 2023, for example, a bulletin was published on the U.S. State Department website, once again accusing Russia of disinformation.

The pro-government U.S. media, including the Washington Post, have released State Department statements that flatly deny the established historical facts of the preparation of military-biological attacks in North Korea and China in the early 1950s while ignoring the information provided by the Russian Ministry of Defence in an effort to deflect the backlash from the Democratic Party.

The U.S. is proceeding from the logic that if earlier episodes cannot be proven, then all accusations of today's military-biological activities are disinformation.



Public protests against establishing bio-laboratories

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Public protests in Republic of Korea



'Anger grows in S. Korea over US-run labs'

S.Korean civic group sues Fort Detrick biolab, USFK over smuggled toxic substances

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Biological laboratories run by the United States military in South Korea are endangering residents' lives, and the experiments carried out at the facilities for military purposes should be banned, experts say.

Statement by Gary Granger, International Secretary of the Worker's Party of Ireland

Statement by the Workers Party of Ireland

WORKERS PARTY

Speech by Gary Granger, International Secretary of the Workers' Party of Ireland, at the conference "Strengthening the threat of the use of biological weapons by NATO against the background of aggravation of international contradictions". The WPI greets all the parties present and applauds the efforts to highlight the increasing threat of the use of biological weapons. Biological weapons are part of an arsenal of weapons sometimes referred to as unconventional weapons or weapons of mass destruction, which also includes chemical, nuclear and radiological weapons.

Biological and toxin weapons are either microorganisms like virus, bacteria or fungi, or toxic substances produced by living organisms, which are produced deliberately to cause disease and death in humans, animals or plants.

Biological Weapon Convention (BWC) is designed to prohibit the development, production, acquisition, transfer, stockpiling and use of biological and toxin weapons. It was the first multilateral disarmament treaty banning an entire category of weapons of mass destruction (WMD).

Imperialism has a long history of the use of such weapons. The massive use of napalm and biological weapons by the US during the war in Korea is well known and those crimes were denounced by the World Peace Council and other international organisations and movements. The US even contemplated massive nuclear strikes over Korea, China and the Soviet Union.

A Commission established by the International Association of Democratic Lawyers unanimously found that the United States

...the Fort Detrick biolab violated the South Korean law and imported toxic substances into the country three times...

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Accordingly, the issue of the development and production of biological weapons remains critically relevant for the international movement for peace. At a time of heightened international tensions and increasing imperialist threats, aggression and war the threat of the use of biological weapons by the US and its allies is a serious concern. There is a real risk of further escalation.

It is clear that Ukraine possesses biological laboratories funded by the US. This is very dangerous. It can cause millions of victims, including the risk of accident.

The WPI opposes the development and use of biological weapons. The need of our countries must be to prohibit the production and use of biological weapons. The WPI demands that the US must be condemned for its continued development and use of biological weapons.

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G. Granger
International Secretary
February 25, 2023

It should be noted that the U.S. has never been explicit about how dedicated it is to ensuring research safety in the biolaboratories it oversees. The lack of transparency of their activities creates a risk of the spread of dangerous pathogens in areas where biocontainment facilities are located.

In a related event, a South Korean civil society organisation filed a lawsuit against the U.S. military in Korea and the Fort Detrick Biological Laboratory in August 2021 for breaking domestic law by smuggling harmful materials into American military locations.

The U.S. command in Korea was accused of smuggling dangerous materials into its military locations (in Pyeongchang and Gunsan) between November 2017 and January 2019. On 5 April 2022, South Koreans took to the streets

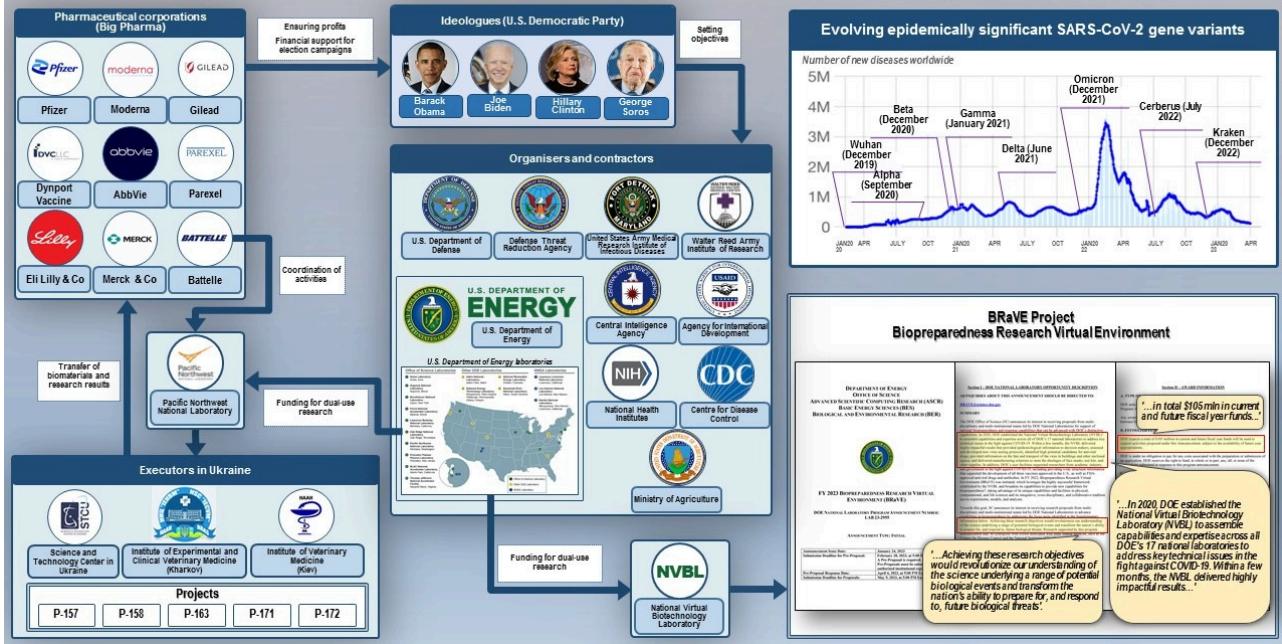
to protest against U.S. biological laboratories near their military base in Busan.

Public demonstrations in Korea are not an uncommon occurrence. Earlier, mass demonstrations against U.S. biolaboratories took place in Armenia, Kyrgyzstan, and Serbia.

In late February 2023, the International Secretary of the Irish Labour Party, Gary Granger, speaking at a conference on 'Strengthening the threat of the use of biological weapons by NATO against the background of aggravation of international contradictions', said that the threat of such weapons of mass destruction was growing every day.

Granger mentioned that 'Ukraine has U.S.-funded biological laboratories. This could lead to millions of casualties, including the risk of accidents'.

As we have repeatedly noted, moving the most dangerous research outside national territory is part of the United States' biosecurity strategy. The placement of bio-objects in third countries does not take into account the interests of local populations and poses a serious threat to entire regions.



I want to call your attention to a U.S. federal ministry's statement that the COVID-19 pandemic may have been caused by a virus leak from a Wuhan laboratory. The statement stresses that '...the disease has a laboratory origin and the virus is likely to have spread as a result of an accident...'.

The nuance is that this statement was made by the Department of Energy. A legitimate question arises: 'What does the U.S. Department of Energy have to do with combating bio-threats and implementing projects with dual-use features?'

The U.S. Department of Energy is seen by the Russian Ministry of Defence as being on par with the Pentagon in terms of being the primary planner and direct participant in military bioweapons efforts.

In 2023 alone, the Department of Energy officially allocated \$105 mln for research as part of the Biopreparedness Research Virtual Environment project, which intends to study the epidemic spread of disease.

I draw your attention to the fact that specialists still have a number of questions about the strange variability and geographical origins of COVID-19 variants for most viruses. For example, the beta strain first appeared in South Africa and was detected in the UK in December 2020; the gamma strain in Brazil in January 2021 and the delta strain in India in June 2021. At the same time, each new version had improved properties in terms of their military-biological applications, causing increasing economic damage.

Despite extremely stringent anti-covalent measures, the emergence in 2022 of subvariants of the Omicron strain

BA-5.2 and BF-7 caused an avalanche-like increase in infections in China. It appears as if someone is taking deliberate action to 'amplify' the pathogenic properties of the virus and the pandemic is being artificially fuelled by 'throwing in' new 'improved' variants. So far, these questions remain unanswered.

In addition, reports indicate that United States leadership continues to involve non-core government agencies not directly related to public health in biomedical programmes,

diverting attention away from the primary beneficiary, the Pentagon.

The U.S. Department of Energy 'dual-use biology' activities will be discussed in more detail next time.